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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Please enter the following preliminary amendment into the above-referenced application.

ABSTRACT

Please insert the attached abstract into the application as the last page thereof.

CLAIMS

Please amend claims 3-6 as follows.

1. (Original) An electrical feedback detection system for detecting electrical contact of a multi-point probe to a material test sample surface comprising: